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Re: Docket No. 98N-1265

This letter is to notify you of my disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), published on Jan. 21, 1999.

As presently written, the MOU, and the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restrict the rights of physicians and their patients to choose what medications they need, and who should provide them.

I can't imagine what dangers you see in allowing compounded medicines to be bought across state lines--except, of course, those dangers offered to E. Lilly and friends.

Your agency is supposed to watch over safety issues as they impact on foods and drugs. How is this a safety issue?

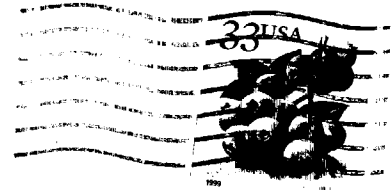
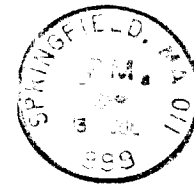
Thanks for your sympathetic attention to this letter.


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